

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Minutes and Informal Instructions of the Open Meeting of Wednesday, March 18, 2009

The Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (Commission) met as noticed. Present were Chairperson Callisto, Commissioner Meyer, and Commissioner Azar.

Minutes

The Commission approved the minutes of the Open Meetings of Wednesday, February 25, 2009; Thursday, March 5, 2009; and Thursday, March 12, 2009.

550-CE-103 – Application of the City of Black River Falls for Authority to Install a 410 kW Generating Unit and Replace the Gated Spillway at the existing Black River Falls Hydroelectric Plant, Located in Jackson County, Wisconsin

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

1570-CW-102 – Application of Deerfield Water Utility, Dane County, Wisconsin, to Construct a New Well No. 4 and Well House

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

3410-CW-101 – Application of Marshall Water and Sewer Utility, Dane County, Wisconsin, to Construct a New Well No. 3, Well House and Connecting Water Main

The Commission approved the Notice of Investigation and directed it be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

4220-CE-168 – Application by Northern States Power Company – Wisconsin for Authority to Construct Transmission System Improvements and a New Gravel Island Substation in the Eau Claire – Chippewa Falls Area

The Commission discussed the record in this docket and made determinations, including the following:

1. The proposed project satisfies the reasonable needs of the public for an adequate supply of electric energy.
2. The transmission project will not adversely affect the competition in the relevant wholesale electric service market.

3. A substation built on the South Substation Site would have less environmental impact than one built on the North Substation site.
4. The transmission line route known as Modified Route A (Segments 40, 41, 42, and 43 along with Segments 18, 19 and 30) best meets the requirements for issuance of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity under Wis. Stat. §§ 1.12(6) and 196.491(3)(d)3, 4 and 6, subject to conditions.

The Commission directed the Gas and Energy Division to draft an order consistent with its discussion.

The Commission delegated final review of the order to the Administrator of the Gas and Energy Division. After final review, the Commission directed the order be signed by the Secretary to the Commission on behalf of the Commission.

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Sandra J. Paske
Secretary to the Commission